

MINUTES Special Interim Committee on Appropriations

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Tuesday, June 12, 2012

The second meeting of the Special Committee on Appropriations for 2012 was called to order by the Co-Chair, **Senator Corey Brown**, at 10:00 a.m. (CDT) in Legislative Conference Rooms 1 & 2 of the State Capitol, Pierre, South Dakota.

A quorum was determined with the following members answering the roll call: Senators Corey Brown (Co-Chair), Jeffrey Haverly, Phyllis Heineman, Kent Juhnke, Deb Peters, J.E. "Jim" Putnam, Billie Sutton, and Larry Tidemann (Vice Chair); and Representatives Dean Wink (Co-Chair), Jim Bolin, H. Paul Dennert, Dan Dryden, Fred Romkema, Jim White and Susan Wismer. Senator Al Novstrup, Representative Lance Carson (Vice Chair), and Representative Bob Deelstra were excused.

LRC Staff members present included Fred Schoenfeld, Chief Fiscal Analyst; Annie Mehlhaff, Principal Fiscal Analyst; Sue Cichos, Principal Fiscal Analyst; Aaron Olson, Senior Fiscal Analyst; and Cindy Tryon, Legislative Secretary.

(NOTE: For purpose of continuity, the following minutes are not necessarily in chronological order. Also, all referenced documents distributed at the meeting are attached to the original minutes on file in the Legislative Research Council (LRC). This meeting was web cast live. The archived web cast is available at the LRC web site at http://legis.state.sd.us under "Interim Information – Current Interim – Minutes and Agendas.")

Approval of Minutes

SENATOR HAVERLY MOVED, SECONDED BY SENATOR PETERS, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 19, 2012, MEETING BE APPROVED. The motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Agenda

Chair Corey Brown announced that he would be moving the first agenda item, "Additional Letters of Intent", toward the bottom of the agenda. He said we would like to add David Edwards, IBM Consultant, to the top of the agenda. Mr. Edwards works with local and state governments on identifying and using performance indicators in the budget process. He had addressed the Executive Board at their meeting the day before.

SENATOR PETERS MOVED, SECONDED BY SENATOR HAVERLY, TO ADD MR. EDWARDS TO THE AGENDA. The motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Performance Management System

Mr. David Edwards, Smarter Government Campaign Lead for IBM, introduced himself to the committee. IBM is the largest provider of advisory services in the world. Half of IBM revenues come from management consulting. They use the dashboard concept in creating a set of indicators that are monitored on an ongoing basis. This includes output measures and efficiency measures. This concept engages the entity in a process of improvement. Managers are tasked with achieving targets and goals. This concept creates a forum in which to identify objects needing improvement. This should be management's nerve center for any executive branch organization. Mr. Edwards gave several examples of how this system has worked in other states/agencies.

Mr. Edwards said that the entire entity must embrace the idea that they are going to use the performance management system. Agencies need to be engaged, outcomes identified, and performance measures developed. Then, independent staff should view the data. Leadership must be intimately involved for this to be successful. Several cities throughout the country and two states, Maryland and Washington, are currently using this system.

Representative J.E. "Jim" Putnam asked Mr. Edwards what the groups he has worked with do with the savings they find using this system. Mr. Edwards replied that they may use it as an incentive or reward to the successful departments. It can also be used in solving any other budget problems or it can lead to tax relief, lessening the burden on the public.

Senator Phyllis Heineman asked about identifying and quantifying goals. Mr. Edwards responded that some agency heads have trouble putting goals into a quantifying effort. All stake holders must be engaged in the effort to make it work. He said that there is not a government function that you cannot measure and that can be improved.

Senator Jeffrey Haverly asked Mr. Edwards how many states are they involved with currently. Mr. Edwards said they are currently working with several agencies but have no statewide efforts at this time. Florida is considering working with them and they have already completed getting Maryland and Washington in the program.

Senator Heineman said that there are a variety of performance indicators now. She then asked how an agency determines where to start. Mr. Edwards said that you need a lot of disciplined thinking. As policy makers, you are trying to drive some sort of outcome and you cannot get to the answer without using a system like this.

Senator Haverly asked if the system can also identify useless outcomes. Mr. Edwards said yes, you may find that you want to stop doing something if it is not serving its purpose.

Senator Kent Juhnke asked about upfront costs and how many FTEs are required to run this system. Mr. Edwards said that it is surprisingly affordable. The biggest investment is in the people needed to manage the process. You may need to dedicate three to four employees to facilitate the process. This would be after bringing in a consulting team to get things started.

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He said that a couple hundred thousand dollars would have the program up and running. He added that it's about the process not technology.

Representative Fred Romkema asked if Mr. Edwards' company formulates the questions that are asked. Mr. Edwards replied that this is not an adversarial process. The system engages the participants in a dialogue and his company facilitates the process. Doing it that way no one feels imposed upon. He added that his company knows how to quickly get to the end state.

Senator Heineman pointed out that the goal is to identify why we're in business. She then asked what the public response has been to this process. Mr. Edwards responded that the response has been overwhelmingly positive, especially in the transparency. He said that it is amazing how much more engaged the citizens become and they feel empowered to ask tougher questions.

Senator Putnam pointed out that we are a smaller state with a part-time legislature. He asked if other states they have worked with are part-time or full-time legislatures. Mr. Edwards said that part-time is more common throughout the country and that this process is even more valuable for states with part-time legislatures. He said that because they are part-time they have a small window into the departments. This process would give them an ongoing look at the same departments.

Representative Jim White asked if the system is only within our own borders or is information from other systems considered. Mr. Edwards said that they have a good idea of where governments should be and they can bring in that experience of best practices and processes.

Chair Brown thanked Mr. Edwards for taking the time to meet with the committee. The Chair stated that the committee needs to look at new avenues and other possibilities as they move forward.

Proration of Interest, Summary of Transfers, and Transfer Request

Dr. Jack Warner, SD Board of Regents Executive Director, presented their proposal for an FY13 General Fund Base Realignment (*Document #1*). Dr. Warner stated that this proposal is meant to correct some of the inequities throughout their system and that Black Hills State University would be the main recipient of this realignment.

Chair Brown asked Dr. Warner if there is a reason they were not able to accomplish this during the main run of the session, from January to March. Dr. Warner explained that the Board of Regents met following the end of session and took action on this issue at that time.

Chair Brown then asked if this would be a permanent realignment to the base budget, not just a one-time request. Dr. Warner said that this is a request for a permanent realignment.

Representative Dan Dryden said that he noticed these funds were coming from South Dakota State University's (SDSU) budget. He asked why they would take them from there when SDSU's figures show that they are already underfunded. Dr. Warner responded saying that this is a modest request so it won't have much effect on SDSU.

Representative Romkema asked if this discrepancy has been in place for a number of years. Dr. Warner replied that it has and the Board now believes it is time for it to be addressed.

Senator Haverly asked if there is a better way to address this. He said that it is not the amount that concerns him but the timing of the proposal. Dr. Warner said that in an ideal world they would have undesignated resources to use to deal with these situations from one year to the next, but that is not the case. If we had additional dollars, we could allocate it as needed.

Senator Haverly pointed out that this has been done in the past. He wondered if it is because of a particular time that draws attention to these needed funds. Dr. Warner replied that it would have been difficult to bring this request in the past couple of years but the board felt they were ready to do so now.

Mr. Monte Kramer, Board of Regents System VP of Finance and Administration, said that they used to have the formula and as enrollments changed they were able to adjust as needed. The formula was removed in 1998 and they no longer have a tool for fixing such situations.

Mr. Jason Dilges, Commissioner of the Bureau of Finance and Management for the State of South Dakota, said that he does not have the authority to approve this request but that the Joint Committee on Appropriations does. He asked the committee to either approve or deny the request so that his office can move forward regarding this issue.

Senator Putnam asked if this kind of a change should be made by this small group. Passing this changes the intent of the general bill. Commissioner Dilges said that when budgets are constantly being cut, the need for transfers becomes even bigger. If this issue is not addressed now, it will need action taken twice during the next session.

Senator Putnam pointed out that he believes in the process and if the committee changes that process now there could be problems in the future. Dr. Warner responded that this is not a request for a significant realignment but more a fine tuning.

Senator Haverly said that he would like to see the Board of Regents take steps to have a closer number by the end of session in the future. He suggested that perhaps the Board should meet before the end of session rather than after session closes. He added that he does not believe it would be of anyone's best interest to wait to address the issue before them now.

Dr. Warner said that he hears the committee's message loud and clear about the timing issue.

Representative H. Paul Dennert pointed out that if the full legislature does not approve of this action, they can repeal it during the next session.

SENATOR TIDEMANN MOVED, SECONDED BY REPRESENTATIVE ROMKEMA, TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED REALIGNMENT AS REQUESTED. Motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 14 voting AYE and 4 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Haverly, Heineman,

Juhnke, Peters, Putnam, Sutton, Bolin, Dennert, Dryden, Romkema, White, Wismer, Tidemann, and Brown. Those EXCUSED: Novstrup, Deelstra, Carson, and Wink.

Chair Brown thanked Dr. Warner for bringing this to the committee but asked that the Board of Regents not make a habit of waiting until the interim to present these issues.

Report on FY2012 Fiscal Close and FY2013 Budget Implementation

Commissioner Jason Dilges introduced new staff members for the Bureau of Finance and Management. He then presented his Interim Report which included the requested budget transfers for several state agencies (*Document #2*). He also distributed the FY2012 Estimated Interim Interest Proration document (*Document #3*). He stated that as of right now, they need to distribute \$8.33 million, but that is still subject to change. Because of the possibility the final amount may change, he asked the committee to vote on the process not on the dollar amount.

SENATOR PUTNAM MOVED, SECONDED BY SENATOR PETERS, TO ADOPT THE RECOMMENDED PRORATIONS. Motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 14 voting AYE and 4 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Heineman, Juhnke, Peters, Putnam, Sutton, Bolin, Dennert, Dryden, Romkema, White, Wismer, Tidemann, Wink, and Brown. Those EXCUSED: Haverly, Novstrup, Deelstra, and Carson.

Commissioner Dilges then went through reports that the Bureau of Finance and Management shared with the Joint Committee on Appropriations via e-mail.

Representative Susan Wismer asked if these transfer reports included charts in the past as they do not now. Mr. Fred Schoenfeld, Chief Analyst for Fiscal Research for the Legislative Research Council, said that in the past his group had done quite a bit of analysis of these reports and that included charts and graphs. With the new system, they had moved away from doing that. Representative Wismer said that she had found those charts to be helpful. Mr. Schoenfeld said that the Fiscal Research team would move back to providing that type of information.

Chair Brown asked Mr. Schoenfeld and his staff to work on interpreting this information.

Representative Dennert said that he noticed there are fewer ARRA transfers in this report. He asked if there will be any more of those in 2013. Commissioner Dilges said that there are a few departments that still have some recovery dollars but 99% of the money from the recovery act is gone.

Commissioner Dilges then reported that Governor Daugaard's news column about to be released is regarding the economy in South Dakota and how it is improving with investments, entrepreneurship and economic development all up. The Governor has charged all departments to leave any unspent dollars on the bottom line. The Commissioner said that we are on track not to spend the entire budget and may have 1% remaining at the end of the year. If that money is not spent, it will revert, so the committee can expect some reversion dollars to work with next year. The Commissioner also said that they expect to beat the revenue estimates. The Commissioner then thanked the committee for all the work they do.

Senator Haverly asked if the Governor is asking agencies to continue with the efficiencies they have found. The Commissioner reported that the work is not over and they intend to continue to find even more efficiencies. The Governor has assigned several work groups who will be making recommendations regarding this issue. Some areas may have been cut too much and others not enough. This is an ongoing endeavor.

Department Report

Kim Malsam-Rysdon, Secretary, Department of Social Services, and **Brenda Tidball-Zeltinger**, Chief Financial Officer, Department of Social Services, gave updates on several programs that fall under the Department of Social Services (*Document #4*).

Ms. Tidball-Zeltinger followed with an update on the one-time monies allocated through a Letter of Intent (LOI) from the Joint Appropriations Committee adopted at their March 19, 2012, meeting. This money was to be distributed by the Departments of Social Services, Human Services, Corrections and the Unified Judicial System and is to be used for one-time salary adjustments for employees of providers. Ms. Tidball-Zeltinger reported that they have received several thank you letters from providers. The providers started receiving the funds on March 28, 2012. 119 providers have already reported back on how they used the funds. All are required to report back no later than July 1.

Senator Deb Peters said that she thought the providers were to submit plans prior to receiving the money. She asked what happens if they do not use the money properly.

Secretary Malsam-Rysdon said that the Department has several mechanisms in place in which they can get the funds back.

Chair Brown asked the Secretary of the Department of Human Services, to give her report on the distribution of their share of the funds.

Laurie R. Gill, Secretary, Department of Human Services, reported on that Department's distribution of the one-time funds *(Document #5)*. She added that many thank yous had been received and that this was a good morale booster.

Chair Brown asked both Secretary Malsam-Rysdon and Secretary Gill for their comments on the LOI process and if the letter should have been constructed differently.

Secretary Malsam-Rysdon said that the process worked for them. They did receive the questions they had expected and were able to respond because they knew the intent from the committee. Secretary Gill added that she appreciated having some flexibility in the process.

Senator Putnam asked about the process used by the providers in distributing the funds. Secretary Gill said that the providers followed the intent with a variety of methodologies with a common variable being years of service. Senator Putnam pointed out that these funds honored those showing loyalty to their profession.

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Secretary Malsam-Rysdon then gave her Care Management Request for Information update, also found on Document #4.

Senator Putnam requested that the agencies send a final update on the one-time funds after the first of August so the committee can see the success of the program.

Office of School and Public Lands

Jarrod Johnson, Commissioner of the Office of School and Public Lands, and Justin Ohleen, Deputy Commissioner, gave a report on the status of repairs to dams. They have started discussions with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the Department of Game, Fish and Parks, and other related entities to establish which dams need to be repaired first. Repairs that involve safety issues will, of course, be moved to the top of the priority list. A more complete report should be done by January of 2013.

Representative Dean Wink asked how many dams are excluded because of the limited dollars for repairs. Commissioner Johnson responded that there are two that they know of so far.

Representative Jim Bolin asked if the priority is to get as many dams off the list as possible or the priority to emphasize one or two dams. Commissioner Johnson said that they want to accomplish fixing as many as possible with the priority on safety. They will try to find the most bang for the dollar.

Representative Bolin asked if it is the Commissioner's goal to continue coming before the committee for funding for these dam repairs. Commissioner Johnson responded that yes it is. And Representative Bolin said that he hopes they will continue.

Representative Wink asked if the Commissioner had any idea what he will be requesting in his 2014 budget for this project. Commissioner Johnson said that he would like to put a request in his budget but he needs to wait and see how this works.

Chair Brown requested that once the priority list is set that a copy of that list along with a list of the remaining dams be sent to the committee. Senator Haverly asked that any other funding used for these repairs be included in that report.

West Tour

Sue Cichos, Principal Fiscal Analyst, presented the proposed itinerary for the fall tour the committee will be taking *(Document #6)*. The dates are September 10-12. They need to wait until September for these tours because of the tourist season. The 10th will be a travel day with the tours actually starting on the 11th. Proposed sites are DUSEL, Custer State Park, pine beetle infestation sites, DOC, SDSM&T, GFP Outdoor Campus, the University Center and Ellsworth Air Force Base. Ms. Cichos indicated that visiting all sites may not be possible without adding another day.

Senator Haverly said that when touring the University Center he would like a very good diagram of their funding. He wants to see dollars coming in and dollars going out and how

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those dollars are being utilized. He also suggested that while visiting the School of Mines and Technology, they check out the interaction between the business incubator and high tech companies.

Senator Larry Tidemann said he would like to see a funding diagram for all the University Centers in the state. He asked that they track the number of credits and how they've increased over the years and what percent of those are on-line courses. He would like to see the amount of dollars paid to the faculty and see what is done with the remaining dollars. Senator Haverly agreed stating that it could be a simple one sheet diagram but with each of the three centers reporting separately. He does not want the information all combined into one report.

Chair Brown said that Ms. Cichos and he will continue to work on finalizing the tour itinerary.

Budget Cost Drivers/Performance Indicators

Chair Brown then turned the meeting over to Mr. Schoenfeld for his report on Budget Drivers. Mr. Schoenfeld went through the budget drivers and performance indicators memorandum that had been distributed (*Document #7*).

Senator Peters asked if they look at usefulness of the indicator or just link to the budget book whether the indicator is useful or not. She also asked if they have ever asked the Bureau of Finance and Management why certain things are in the budget book.

Mr. Schoenfeld said that some are core statistics and some are actual measures of performance and to that extent they are of some use. They are not linked to specific funds and are not goal driven.

Senator Peters said that the Government Operations and Audit Committee (GOAC) is trying to examine what data is necessary and why certain things are included in the budget book.

Mr. Schoenfeld said that we can add value by including the budget drivers which will then highlight the key pieces. He said there is an advantage to laying out the budget drivers so everyone can see all of them.

Senator Putnam added that the reason performance indicators are in the report is because the members at the time asked for specific data and those data were then called performance indicators, although the term may not be appropriate. That does not mean we need to do away with them.

Senator Haverly said that they are not redoing the mission of GOAC but that GOAC is trying to determine where these items fit. We want to know if the indicators are of any value. There definitely needs to be a communication link between GOAC and the Joint Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Schoenfeld said that this is why he is proposing to drive the initial thoughts on this issue into some type of report. If we go forward with a steering committee, I'm sure this will get folded into that.

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Senator Heineman said that maybe they need to take a fresh look at this. She wondered if this is busy work or are they accomplishing what they are supposed to accomplish. She added that it seems like we're just reworking the old system and that she would like to take a fresh look it this.

Senator Peters agreed with Senator Heineman adding that we need to gather some data from an external source so we can determine if there is a better way to do this.

Mr. Schoenfeld said that he would appreciate some direction as to whether they move forward in the current direction or wait and hire some type of consultant. He added that whatever the choice, getting the executive branch on board would make things much easier.

Senator Putnam said that this is an ongoing process, as the committee members evolve and the administration evolves this will continue to change. We should not do away with everything old but we need to continue moving forward. Maybe GOAC should decide which indicators are just fluff and which are helpful and then work with the Joint Appropriations Committee and the LRC Fiscal Staff.

Senator Haverly said that GOAC is trying to develop a system that works and are using the Department of Agriculture as a test agency. He added that it will take a lot more interaction to make this work and that there needs to be more communication between LRC and Legislative Audit.

Senator Putnam asked where we can join the indicators GOAC wants and the indicators the Joint Appropriations Committee wants, even though those indicators may serve different purposes.

Chair Brown pointed out that basically everyone is in agreement. He asked if it would be helpful to establish a subcommittee that would work with the LRC Fiscal Staff and GOAC to put some substance into the proposal while continuing to work with the Department of Agriculture as a test agency.

Senator Haverly suggested the committee consist of GOAC Chair and Vice Chair and Joint Appropriations Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs and that they, along with the LRC Fiscal Staff, report back this fall. Mr. Schoenfeld said to be sure to include the minority membership on the committee.

Senator Heineman said they need to quantify the goals – some agencies have clear goals and others do not. We need those key goals from each agency. Identification and quantification of these goals is critical.

Senator Haverly said that GOAC had met with the Governor and asked if they could change the system to be more workable for the legislature and that meeting resulted in them now working with the Department of Agriculture.

Chair Brown said the subcommittee will consist of the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Joint Appropriations Committee, the Government Operations and Audit Committee, Senator Sutton

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and Representative Wismer. This committee can decide if it would be best to have others involved.

Senator Haverly said they need to include Legislative Audit in these decisions. He also pointed out that this is a work in progress and should be given the time needed to come to a decision.

Long-Term Planning – Progress and Way Forward

Chair Brown asked Mr. Schoenfeld to continue on to his long-term planning report. Mr. Schoenfeld gave his report stating that a better choice of words than creating a plan would be formulating a yardstick. He then presented a model for the committee to consider.

Representative Wink asked who would be manipulating the assumptions. Mr. Schoenfeld said that the Fiscal Staff would be doing that and who specifically depends on filling the employee vacancy and reconfiguring the staff assignments. At this time, Annie Mehlhaff will be doing so on the operating side and Aaron Olson on the revenue side.

Senator Peters asked if we don't know the assumptions from the Governor's Office how are these other assumptions useful to us. The Governor's Office is the driver.

Mr. Schoenfeld responded that we can talk to the Governor's Office and find out what their assumptions are, but the legislature should have its own assumptions. He pointed out that we have more than 10 years of data and can trend back as far as we want.

Representative Wink said that if we have input into the assumptions and they deviate from the Governor's assumptions, it will help us to find out the reasons as to why the numbers are different.

Mr. Schoenfeld proceeded to briefly discuss the capital plan, pointing out that we need to put together an inventory of the assets. The current list has the assets and improvements values - what they were at the time they were added to the list - not what their values are today. Everything needs to be brought up to a 2012 basis and that will take some time. In addition to that, they used straight line depreciation making the depreciation only partly usable. And we have no way to credit the improvements to their actual assets. Along with all of that, the outstanding debt also needs to be compiled. Mr. Schoenfeld said that it is important to move forward with this project and by the end of the summer they may have cleaned up the asset base.

Representative White asked if there is a software package available that will calculate the information into a format. Mr. Schoenfeld said that there probably are a number of packages, but it would involve taking the time to enter all the data. It would be faster to clean up what we have than to start over with new software. It just takes time.

Mr. Schoenfeld said that a policy steering group that can provide more feedback could assist in making sure what the Fiscal Staff is doing is reflective of what the committee wants. Chair Brown appointed Senator Peters, Senator Tidemann, Representative Dryden, Representative Wismer, and Representative White to serve on this policy steering committee.

Appropriations Interface with Legislative Planning Committee

Chair Brown said that the Legislative Planning Committee has been appointed. Representative Wismer and Senator Sutton are the two Appropriations Committee members who will serve on that committee. Chair Brown asked that they, along with the LRC Staff, keep the Joint Appropriations Committee updated on what is happening with the Legislative Planning Committee.

Vacant Fiscal Analyst Position

Mr. Schoenfeld reported that the vacant fiscal analyst position has been advertised through the Bureau of Personnel with a closing date of June 30. He said that he would like to have made a decision within 30 days of that closing date. Until the new hire is in place, a list of temporary staff assignments has been made and distributed to the committee members.

Representative Wink asked who will be handling the trust fund balance now that Terry Miller is gone. Mr. Schoenfeld said that Aaron Olson will be taking the lead on that and the monthly report will now be a quarterly report. **Aaron Olson**, Senior Fiscal Analyst, gave a brief report on the trust fund.

Chair Brown said that he would prefer they continue doing the trust fund report on a monthly basis because they need that information for handling inquiries. Mr. Schoenfeld said that they would then continue with the report on a monthly basis.

OneNote Refinement

Annie Mehlhaff, Principal Fiscal Analyst, reported that LRC staff members had met with staff from the Bureau of Information and Technology (BIT) to request some changes to the OneNote program. She said they hope to have the system ready to test at the October meeting.

Chair Brown asked that Ms. Mehlhaff give another OneNote update during the fall tour.

Additional Letters of Intent

Senator Tidemann presented a Letter of Intent (LOI) regarding the Agricultural Experiment Station at South Dakota State University *(Document #8)*. He said that a transfer will be requested after July 1 so they can actually get the job done. The LOI gives direction on how they are to use the \$450,000 placed in general funds for the Experiment Station.

SENATOR PETERS MOVED, SECONDED BY REPRESENTATIVE WINK, TO ADOPT THE PROPOSED LETTER OF INTENT. Motion prevailed on a roll call vote with 14 voting AYE and 4 EXCUSED. Those voting AYE: Haverly, Heineman, Juhnke, Peters, Putnam, Sutton, Bolin, Dryden, Romkema, White, Wismer, Tidemann, Wink, and Brown. Those EXCUSED: Novstrup, Deelstra, Dennert, and Carson.

Other Business

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Mr. Schoenfeld reported that the allowable travel rates on lodging had increased for state travel. There had been some concern that the Joint Committee on Appropriations was not apprised of this when working on the budget. Chair Brown said that the decreased utilization of travel funds should offset the raising of the allowable lodging rates.

Representative Bolin asked if there has been any research done on how the federal cuts will affect the state budget and have any plans been made on how they will deal with those cuts in January. Chair Brown said that a report had been done during the past session that analyzed the amount of the cuts to South Dakota. Representative Bolin said that we can easily become overwhelmed by the way things are handled federally and how their decisions affect us. Chair Brown said they would track down that report and send it to the committee. He said to keep in mind, though, that these are fluid numbers.

The next meeting of the Joint Appropriations Committee will be in September during the tour.

Adjourn

SENATOR HAVERLY MOVED, SECONDED BY SENATOR PETERS, TO ADJOURN. The motion prevailed unanimously on a voice vote.

The committee adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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